# B Sc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCT. 2020 : FEBRUARY 2021

## **SEMESTER 1 : PHYSICS (CORE COURSE)**

### COURSE : 19U1CRPHY1 : METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES OF PHYSICS

(Common for Regular - 2020 Admission & Improvement / Supplementary - 2019 Admission)

Time : Three Hours

#### PART A

#### Answer any 8 (2 marks each)

- 1. Mention the contributions of Rayleigh.
- 2. What are the predictions of general theory of relativity?
- 3. Who proved Quantum nature of radiation? Briefly explain it
- 4. What is the least count of a meter scale and vernier calipers?
- 5. Explain the uncertainty in the product of two measured quantities.
- 6. Explain the concept of positional weights.
- 7. Discuss the various ways in which del operator can act.
- 8. Give the transformation matrix of a 2D vector rotation.
- 9. Give the circuit of a half adder.
- 10. Make a note on integrals associated with a vector.

(2 x 8 = 16)

# PART B Answer any 6 (4 marks each)

- 11. Give an expression for the relative error in Z if  $Z = (A B^{1/2}) / (C^{3/2} D)$
- 12. A rectangular board is measured with a scale with accuracy 0.2 cm. the length and breadth are measured as 35.4 cm and 18.4 cm respectively. Find the relative error and percentage error of the area calculated
- 13. The length, breadth and thickness of a rectangular sheet are 3.234 m, 2.005 m and 2.01 m respectively. Determine the area and volume to the correct significant figures.
- 14. The weight of substance measured to have values 1.29 g, 1.33 g, 1.34 g, 1.35 g, 1.32 g, 1.36 g, 1.30 g and 1.33 g. Calculate the mean, absolute error, relative and percentage error.
- 15. Find the transformation matrix R that describes a rotation by 120 degrees about an axis through the origin and (1,1,1). Rotation is anticlockwise as you look towards origin through the axis from the given point.
- 16. Find the components of the area vector passing through (1,0,0), (0,2,0) and (0,0,3).
- 17. In two dimensions, check the transformation of divergence.
- 18. Find the decimal equivalents: (i)  $FE86.3934_{16}$  and (ii)  $AE95.2234_{16}$

(4 x 6 = 24)

### PART C Answer any 2 (10 marks each)

- 19. Explain a) photoelectric effect and its significance b) Raman effect and its significance
- 20. Describe with theory the instruments for measuring current. How will you convert a galvanometer of resistance 12 ohms showing full scale deflection for a current of 3 milli ampere to an Ammeter of range o to 6 Ampere?
- 21. State and prove the fundamental theorems on gradient and divergence.
- 22. Find (a) 1024 + 5096, (b) 1024 5096, (c) -1024 + 5096 and (d) -1024 5096 using 2's complement. The numbers given are in decimal system.

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

Max. Marks: 60